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AND SPIDER-MAN
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WHEN YOU'RE A GRAD STUDENT WORKING YOUR WAY THROUGH COLLEGE, YOU HAVE TO GRAB LAB TIME WHEN AND WHERE YOU CAN FIND IT.

SUCH IS THE CASE WITH STEVE ROOKING AND PETER PARKER, WHO ARE SPENDING THIS PARTICULAR EVENING IN THE LABORATORIES OF MANHATTAN'S EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY...

--WORKING ON AN EXPERIMENT WHICH IS DUE FOR A MOST UNEXPECTED INTERRUPTION!

WHOA! MY SPIDER-SENSE JUST WENT OFF LIKE A GEIGER COUNTER AT LOS ALAMOS! THAT MEANS SOME KIND OF DANGER IS NEAR--BUT WHAT COULD POSSIBLY THREATEN ME...

...HERE?

LAB 104A

WHAM

FREEZE! NOBODY MOVES, NOBODY GETS HURT!

PRETTY POISON

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THAT'S IT... TURN AROUND NICE AND SLOW. NOW ALL WE WANT ARE CHEMICALS YOU'VE GOT STORED HERE. IF YOU DON'T GIVE US ANY TROUBLE, THEN EVERYONE STAYS HEALTHY... *GASP!*

THIS BROAD WE SURPRISED OUTSIDE CLAIMS TO BE THE DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SECRETARY. THAT MEANS YOU'VE GOT KEYS TO THE STOCK ROOM--RIGHT, LADY?

HEY, WHATEVER YOU SAY, MAN.

Y-YES. I'LL OPEN IT. J--JUST DON'T SHOOT!

THESE GOONS HAVE US OVER A BARREL, ALL RIGHT...



...I DON'T DARE TRY TO STOP THEM HERE. ALL SECRET IDENTITY CONSIDERATIONS ASIDE, STEVE AND DEBRA COULD BE SERIOUSLY HURT IF I MAKE ANY HASTY MOVES.



STILL, THERE SHOULD BE SOME WAY OF STOPPING THEM. I WONDER WHAT THEIR REACTION WOULD BE TO A CERTAIN RETORT OF CHEMICALS GETTING TOO HOT?

THAT'S IT, KEEP THOSE HANDS OUT WHERE I CAN SEE 'EM!

OOOH, THESE STUBBORN KEYS... THERE!

SUPPLY ROOM

KLIK







...THE SELF-ADHERING TRACER LODGES UNNOTICED ON ONE OF THE FLEEING MOODS!



LITTLE SPIDER-TRACER, I LOVE YOU! NOW WHEREVER THAT MASKED MEATBALL GOES, I'LL BE ABLE TO HOME RIGHT IN ON HIM!

IF I'M LUCKY, BRIGHT BOY WON'T EVEN NOTICE THAT LITTLE ADDITION TO HIS SNEAKERS UNTIL SPIDER-MAN IS ON TOP OF HIM!



HEY, HOLD IT! WHAT'S GOIN' ON HERE?!

SO MUCH FOR BEING LUCKY! CAMPUS SECURITY PICKED A LOUSY TIME TO BECOME EFFICIENT!

WE'VE HAD A BREAK-IN, SIR...



SEVERAL MINUTES LATER, AFTER NEW YORK'S FINEST HAVE FINALLY ARRIVED...

...SO THAT'S ALL WE CAN TELL YOU, SERGEANT. IT BEATS ME WHY THEY'D STEAL NEO-ATROPINE! IT'S NOT THAT RARE OR EXPENSIVE!

WELL, SOMEBODY WANTED IT AWFULLY BAD, TO GO TO THIS MUCH TROUBLE!

NOTHING MORE TO GO ON AROUND HERE! I GUESS YOU KIDS CAN CLEAN UP AND GO HOME NOW. WE'LL LET YOU KNOW IF WE FIND ANYTHING!



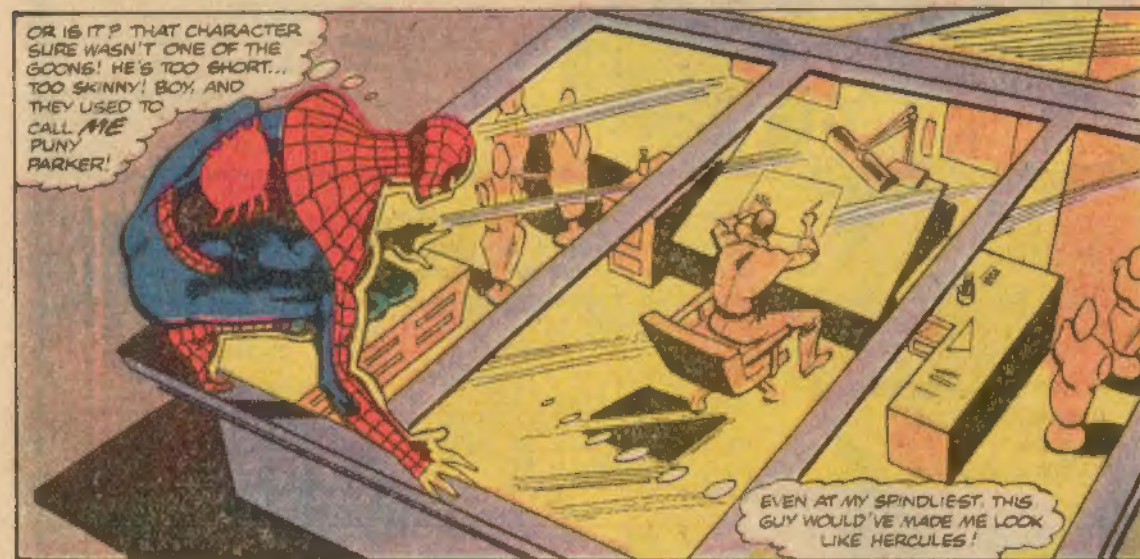
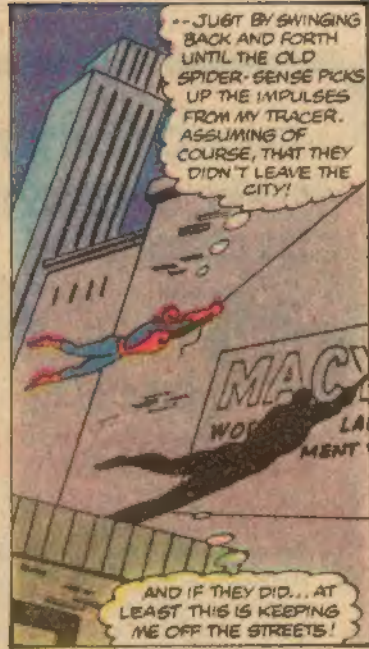
I'LL CLEAR THE MESS AWAY, STEVE. YOU'D BETTER SEE THAT DEBRA GETS HOME-- SHE'S STILL PRETTY SHAKEN!

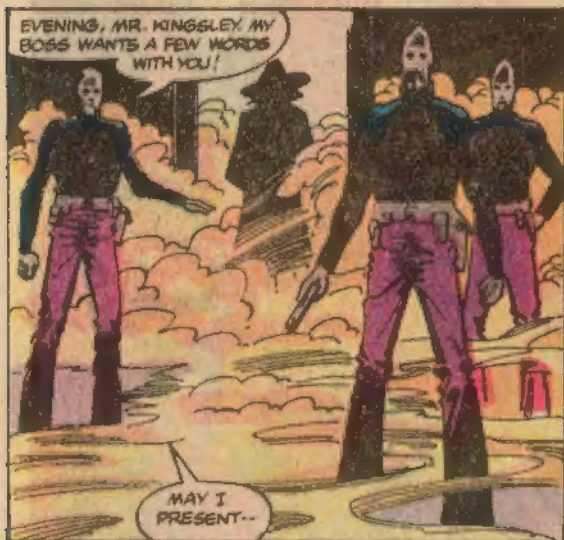
HEY, NO ARGUMENT FROM ME, PETE! SEE YA IN THE MORNING! MAYBE BY THEN, THIS'LL ALL MAKE SENSE!



BUT, NO SOONER HAVE STEVE'S FOOTSTEPS DIED OUT DOWN THE HALL THAN...

THE CLEANING WILL WAIT... I WANT TO MAKE SOME SENSE OUT OF THIS NOW!







GOOD EVENING, PEOPLE! I APOLOGIZE FOR DROPPING IN AT SUCH A LATE HOUR, BUT I JUST COULDN'T PASS UP SUCH AN INTERESTING PARTY! I DON'T THINK WE'VE BEEN INTRODUCED!

THE SPIDER-MAN!!



HEY, HOW ABOUT THAT! MY FAME PROCEEDS ME! I KNEW HIRING THAT PRESS AGENT WOULD DO THE TRICK!

I'M AFRAID I'M IN A BIT OF A HURRY TONIGHT... YOU DON'T MIND IF I PUNCH AND RUIN, DO YOU?

AWK!



I DIDN'T THINK SO! AND NOW, FOR MY FINAL NUMBER--!

THANK YOU-- THANK YOU, BUT NO APPLAUSE! IT'LL GO TO MY HEAD, AND THERE'S NOTHING WORSE THAN A SWELLED HEAD UNDER A TIGHT MASK!



SPEAKING OF SWELLED HEADS, IT LOOKS LIKE MINE'S ALREADY TOO BIG! THE FIRST TWO JERKS I PUNCHED ARE BACK ON THEIR FEET!

THE LOVE TAPS I GAVE THEM SHOULD HAVE PUT THEM OUT FOR AT LEAST AN HOUR!



IT MUST BE THIS PERFUMY GAS... IT'S SLOWING ME DOWN. WELL, THAT'S EASY ENOUGH TO REMEDY-- I'LL JUST LEAN INTO THE PUNCH A LITTLE MORE!

THAT'S ONE--



--AND THAT'S TWO! THIS TIME, I HOPE YOU HAVE THE DECENCY TO STAY DOWN WHEN I HIT YOU!

NO! STAY AWAY FROM ME!

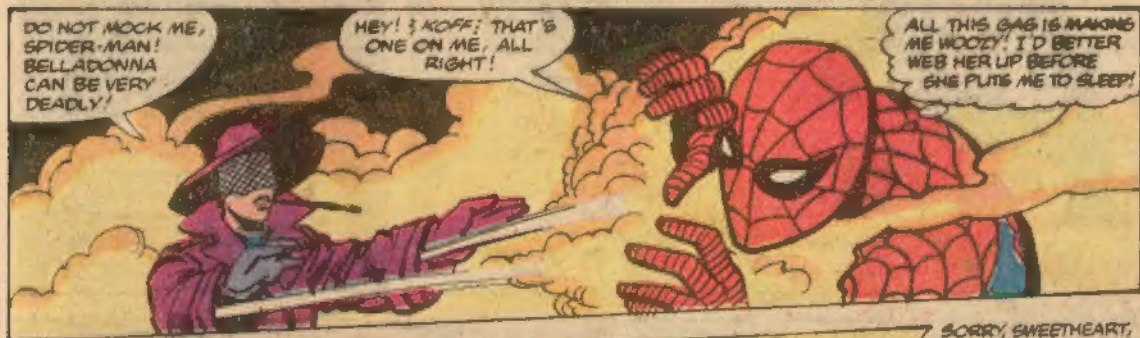
I'D PREFER TO TALK TO YOUR BOSS-LADY WITHOUT ANY INTERFERENCE.



I-I'M WARNING YOU, SPIDER-MAN-- BELLADONNA'S BUSINESS IS NONE OF YOUR AFFAIR!

AW, COME ON, BELLA-- YOU CALL THAT A THREAT? YOU CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT!

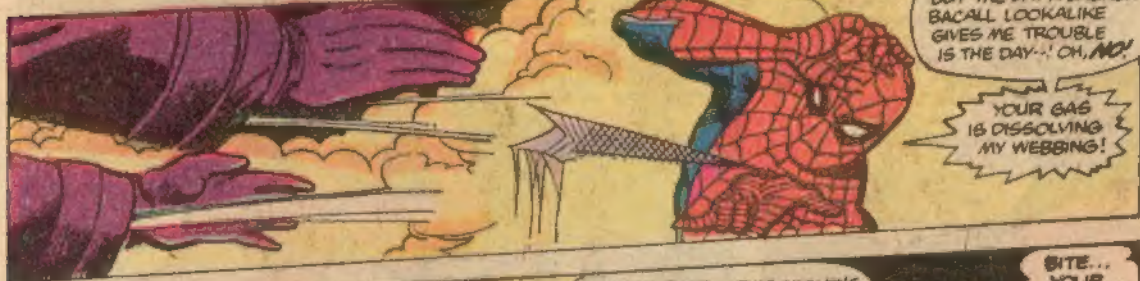
HOW ABOUT: "ONE MORE STEP, AND I'LL CLICHE' YOU TO DEATH!"



DO NOT MOCK ME, SPIDER-MAN! BELLADONNA CAN BE VERY DEADLY!

HEY! 3 KOFF! THAT'S ONE ON ME, ALL RIGHT!

ALL THIS GAG IS MAKING ME WOODY! I'D BETTER WEB HER UP BEFORE SHE PUTS ME TO SLEEP!



SORRY, SWEETHEART, BUT THE DAY A LAUREN BACALL LOOKALIKE GIVES ME TROUBLE IS THE DAY--! OH, NO!

YOUR GAS IS DISSOLVING MY WEBBING!



AND THAT'S NOT ALL IT'S DOING! THE ROOM'S STARTING TO SPIN ON ME! I'LL HAVE TO RUSH HER OR--!

AHK!

COME, BOYS-- THIS NIGHT'S BEEN RUINED. I'LL HAVE TO RE THINK MY REVENGE!

YEAH, WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT SPIDER-MAN ANY MORE!

BITE... YOUR... TONGUE JERK!



THE THIRD GOON! I'M SO DIZZY, I DIDN'T EVEN GET A SPIDER-SENSE TINGLE FROM HIM!

UNH! NOW I KNOW WHY THEY STOLE THE NEO-ATROPINE! IT'S DERIVED FROM THE BELLADONNA PLANT SHE EVIDENTLY USES IT IN HER GAS. EITHER SHE DIDN'T HAVE A READY SOURCE FOR THE STUFF --

--OR SHE WAS JUST IMPATIENT! WHOOSH! FEELS LIKE THERE'RE BEES LIVING IN MY HEAD! I'D BETTER GET KINGLEY OUT OF HERE --



--BEFORE WE BOTH PASS OUT!



NOW I KNOW I'M OUT OF IT! ALMOST DIDN'T MAKE THAT JUMP!

WITHIN MINUTES

THAT'S BETTER! NEW YORK AIR NEVER SMELLED SO NICE

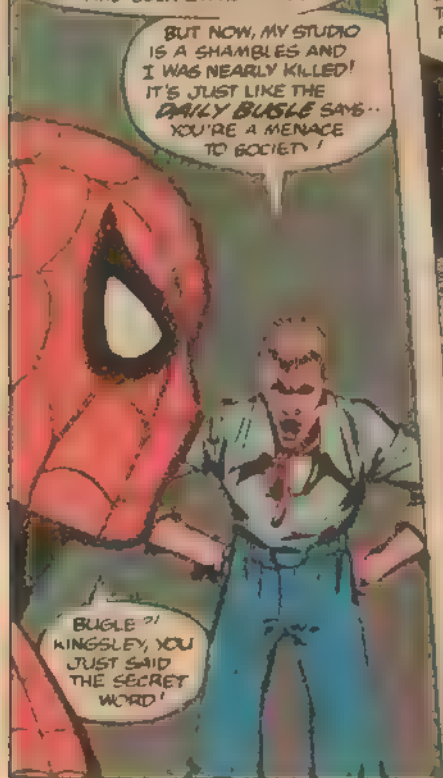


YOU... YOU MASKED RUFFIAN! YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS!

WHAT?!

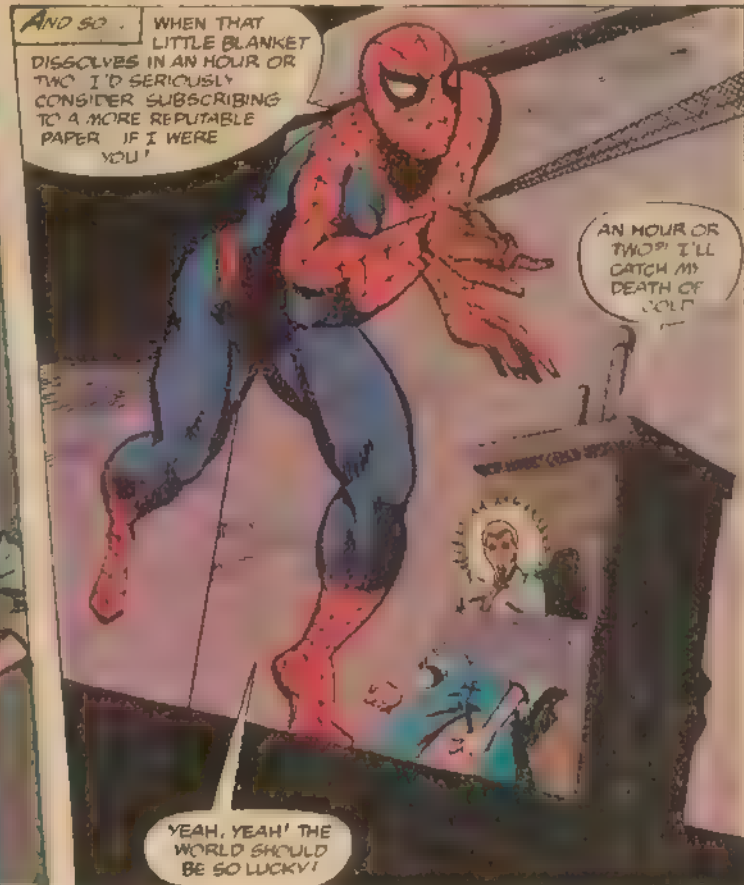
YOU HEARD ME! IF YOU HADN'T BUTTED IN, THAT HARRY WOULD'VE JUST STOLEN A FEW PETTY -- WHICH I COULD HAVE TRACED-- AND BEEN ON HER WAY!

BUT NOW, MY STUDIO IS A SHAMBLES AND I WAS NEARLY KILLED! IT'S JUST LIKE THE **DAILY BUGLE** SAYS-- YOU'RE A MENACE TO SOCIETY!



BUGLE?! KINGLEY, YOU JUST SAID THE SECRET WORD!

AND SO... WHEN THAT LITTLE BLANKET DISSOLVES IN AN HOUR OR TWO I'D SERIOUSLY CONSIDER SUBSCRIBING TO A MORE REPUTABLE PAPER IF I WERE YOU!



AN HOUR OR TWO? I'LL CATCH MY DEATH OF COLD!

YEAH, YEAH! THE WORLD SHOULD BE SO LUCKY!

THE NEXT MORNING FINDS A WORRIED PETER PARKER BACK IN MIDTOWN, HEAD'ING FOR THE SITE OF HIS CURRENT EMPLOYER... THE DAILY GLOBE...

THIS BELLADONNA CHARACTER HAS REALLY GOT ME DOWN! JUST WHEN I THOUGHT I HAD ALL THE KINKS WORKED OUT OF MY WEBBING, SHE HAS TO COME ALONG AND PROVE ME WRONG!

TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, MY SPIDER-TRACER FELL OFF HER COON DURING OUR FIGHT. THERE'S NO WAY I CAN FIND HER.

ONE HOUR
LATER

...ANYWAY, THIS FRIEND OF MINE IS TRYING TO GET A LINE ON RODERICK KINGSLEY.

YOU HEAR A LOT AROUND HERE, SO I WAS WONDERING IF YOU'D KNOW DOES KINGSLEY HAVE ANY ENEMIES?

BUT I'VE GOT TO GET SOME KIND OF LEAD. KINGSLEY IS THE KEY TO THIS... IF ONLY... AH-HA!

WHO? "OH PETER PARKER" AND WHAT DO YOU WANT? PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NEVER NICE TO ME UNLESS THEY WANT SOMETHING!

WHY IT'S SANDY JONES, MY FAVORITE EDITORIAL GIRL. FRIDAY IN THE WHOLE WORLD!

AND I'LL TELL YOU RIGHT UP FRONT I DON'T ROSE FOR ANYBODY!

ROD KINGSLEY HAVE ENEMIES? ONLY HALF THE FASHION WORLD! RUMOR HAS IT THAT HE STEALS HIS DESIGNS.

AND JUST LAST YEAR HE DROVE A DOZEN SMALL EUROPEAN COSMETICS FIRMS OUT OF BUSINESS JUST TO START HIS OWN LINE OF KINGSLEY FRAGRANCES!

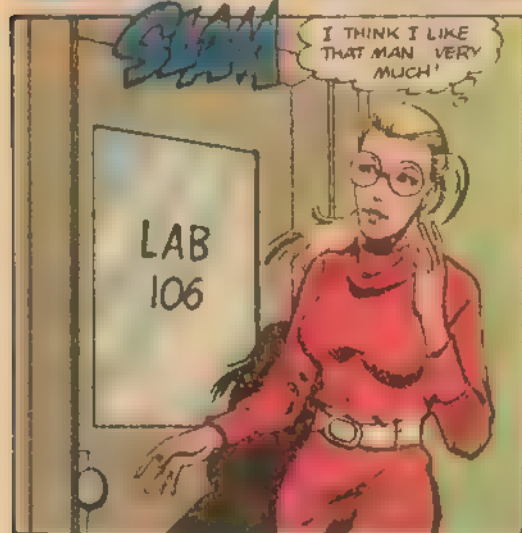
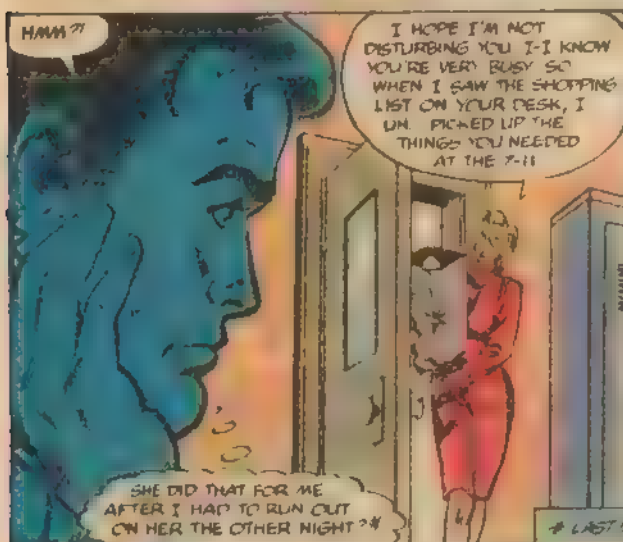
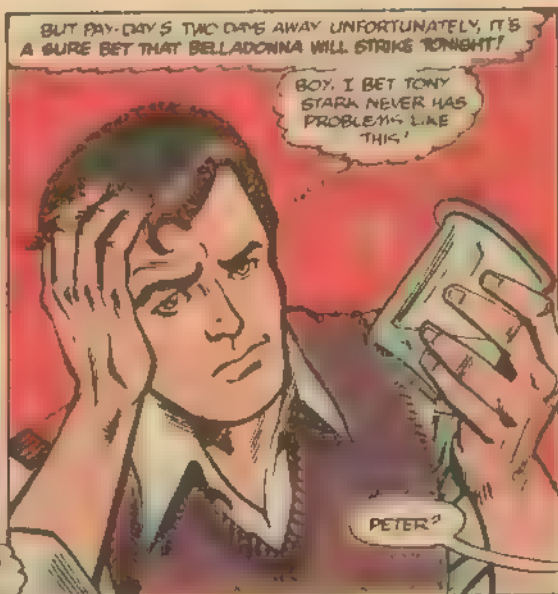
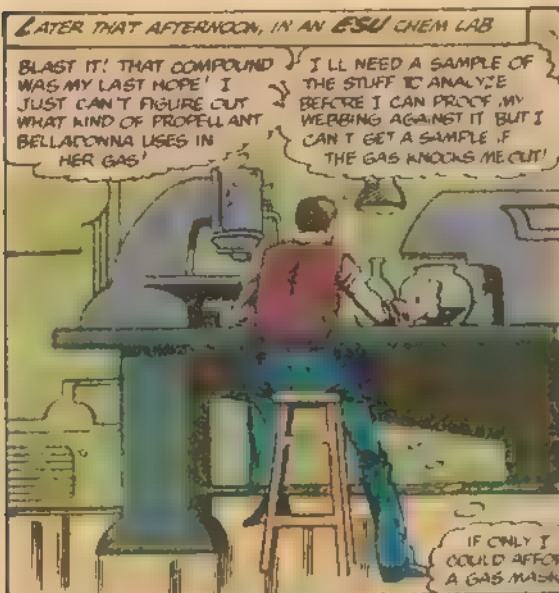
SOUNDS LIKE A SWELL GUY!

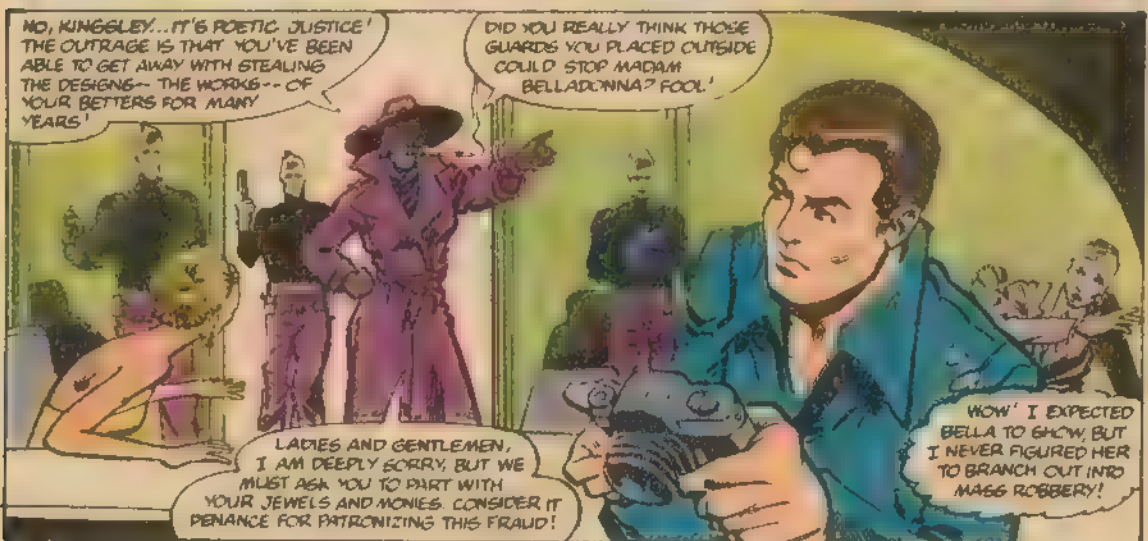
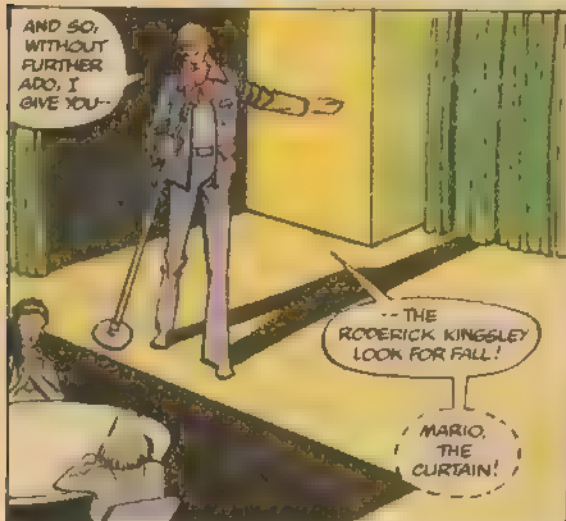
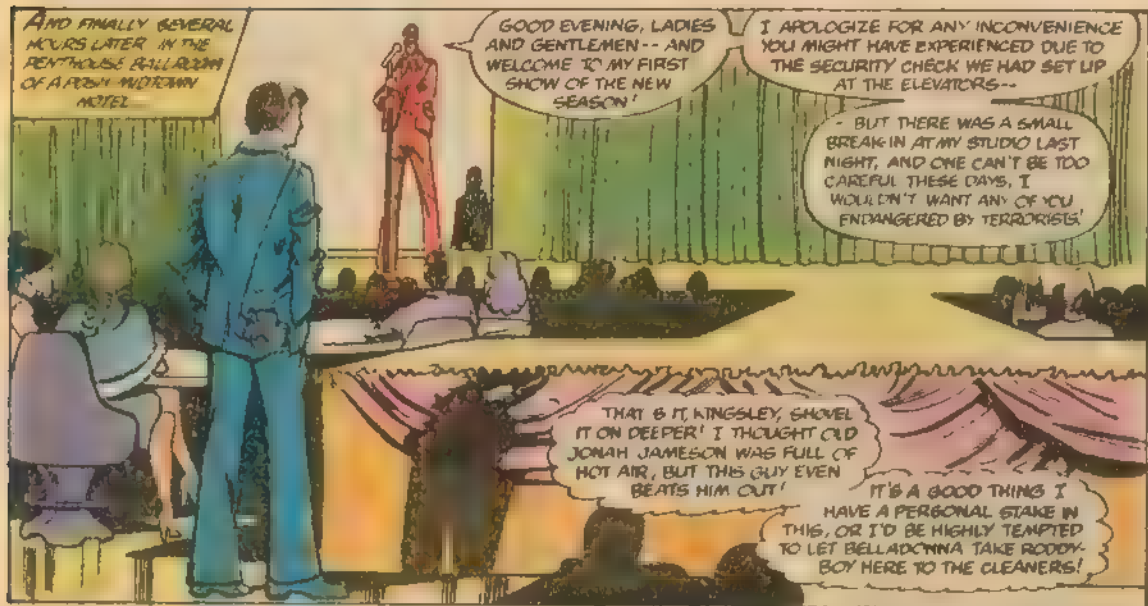
OH HE'S DESPISED AS A MATTER OF FACT, HE'S HAVING A BIG SHOW TONIGHT, AND NONE OF THE FASHION PHOTOGS WANT TO TOUCH IT! MOST OF THEM HAVE HAD BAD DEALINGS WITH HIM.

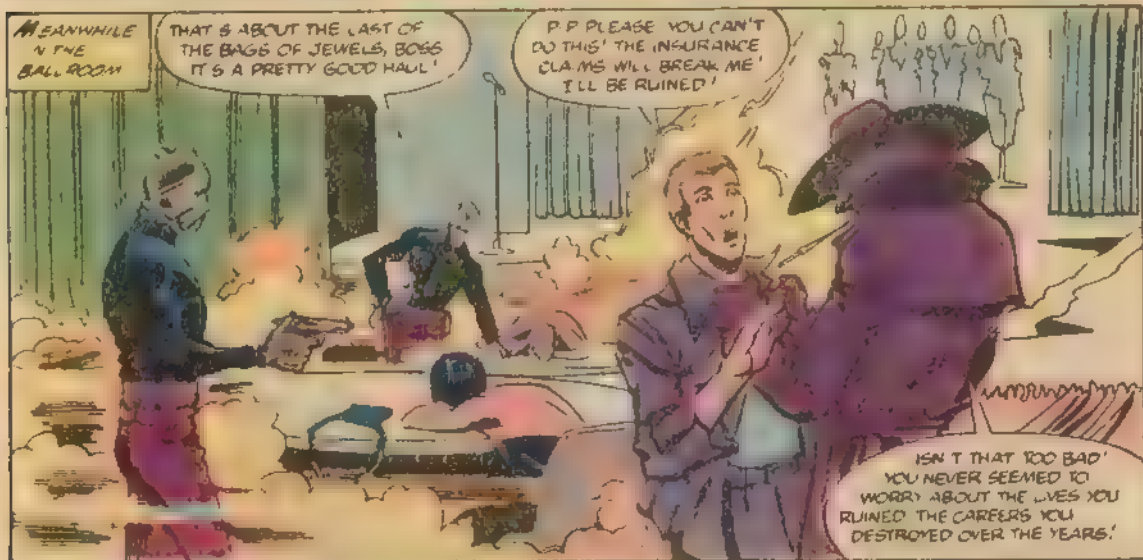
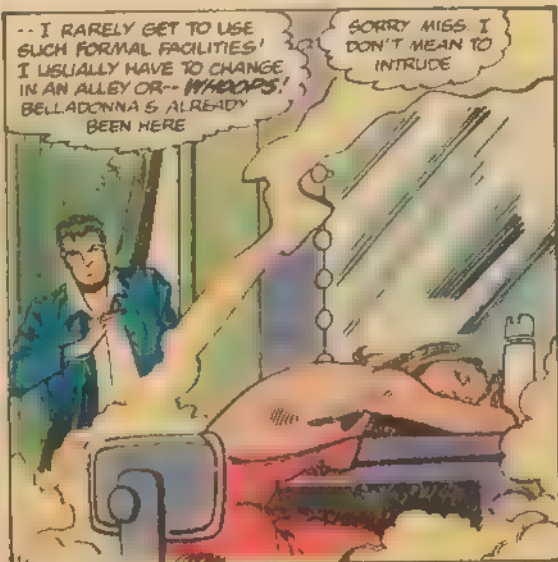
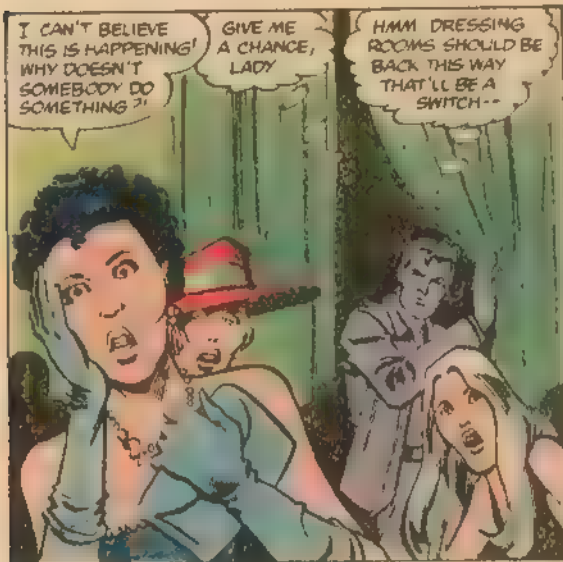
IS THIS THE ASSIGNMENT SHEET? HEY, YOUR TROUBLES ARE OVER... I'LL BE GLAD TO COVER IT.

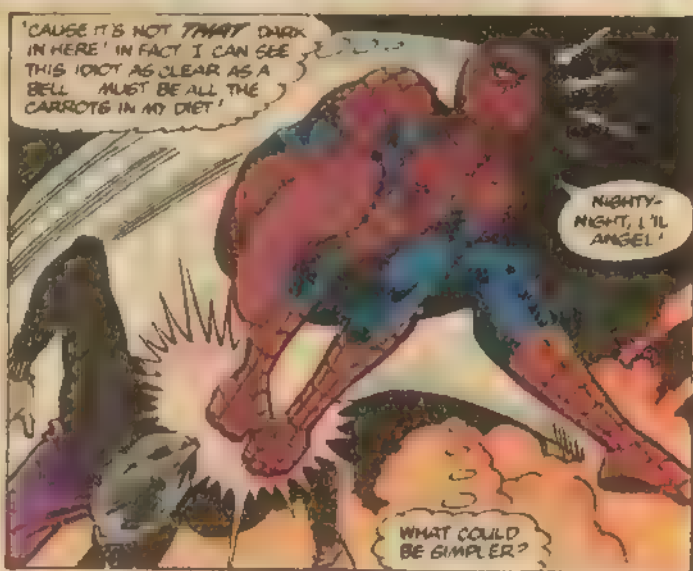
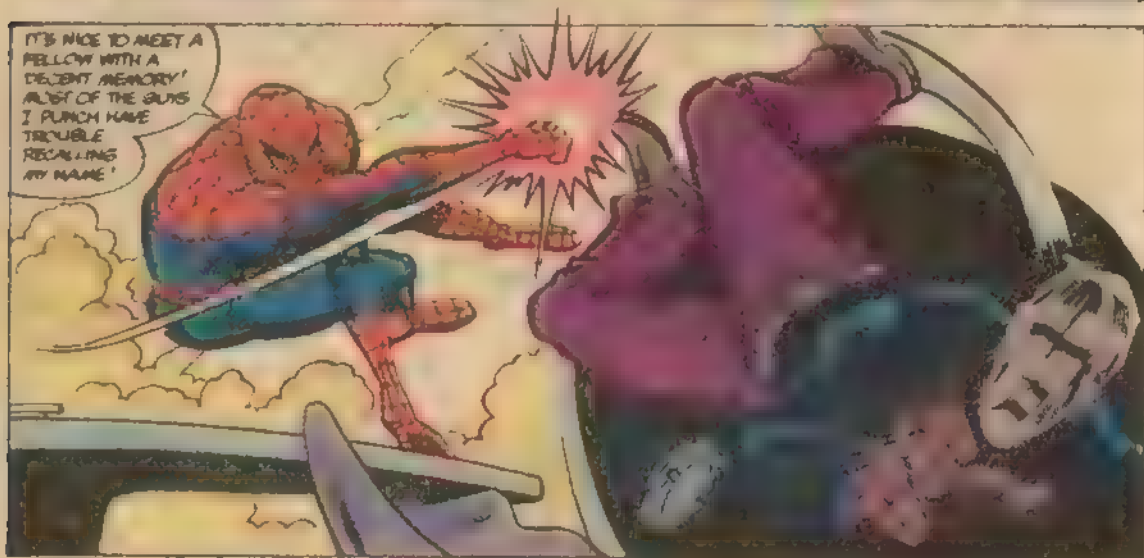
YOU COVER A FASHION SHOW? BUT PETER MR BUSHKIN WON'T WANT YOU TO WASTE YOUR TIME ON THAT.

WHAT HE DOESN'T KNOW WON'T HURT HIM. BESIDES, THIS JUST MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE EXCITING!











BULLPEN BULLETINS

STAN'S SOAPBOX

Unless you've been malingering on the moon for the past year or so — and we know that no Marvelite True would ever do that — you must be aware how many new and exciting projects your ever-lovin' Bullpen has been cooking up for you!

Our new, higher-priced publications like the mind-staggering EPIC, and the now-classic WARRIORS OF THE SHADOW REALM have taken all of fandom by storm. The big-budget SILVER SURFER movie project is barreling along smooth as silk, as are our many animated cartoon shows for Saturday morning TV. Anyway, no need to mention each and every brain-blasting

project — you get the idea.

Now, the punch line! The point of all this valorous verbiage is to set your minds at ease, once and for all. Many people have asked me; in voices quivering with care and concern, "Does this mean that Marvel is losing interest in its own lovable line of regular color comics? Does this mean the monthly 40c mags are less important than they used to be? Does this mean you guys'll just be concentrating on the big, bombshell type spectaculars and forget about the good ol' line of super heroes that made you famous?"

The answer, of course, is a deafening, resounding, thunderous NO! Just for the record, we want all of

Marveldom Assembled to know that our award-winning line of monthly color comics are the absolute and unshakable foundation of our entire entertainment entity! The color comics started it all! The color comics are our first love — our greatest love! The color comics are what Marvel is all about! That's the way it's always been — and take it from me, good buddy, that's the way it's gonna stay!

Excelsior!



Stan

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MAKE MINE MARVEL!

MOON KNIGHT

IF YOU MEET HIM YOU'RE EITHER IN TROUBLE...
OR YOU'RE GOING TO BE.

THOR MEETS THE RICOCHET MONSTER!

